



STATE BOARD GENERAL SESSION

APPROVED MINUTES

Doug Carter, <i>Chair</i>	Buzz Law
Trey Sheppard, <i>Vice Chair</i>	Carvel Lewis
Ben Bryant	Artesius Miller
Ben Copeland	Chunk Newman
Lynn Cornett	Shirley Smith
Jay Cunningham	Phil Sutton
Tommy David	Baoky Vu
Mary Flanders	Dinah Wayne
Randall Fox	Tim Williams
Mark Hennessy	Lisa Winton
Anne Kaiser	Joe Yarbrough

Thursday, October 1, 2020

11:15 a.m.- 12:35 p.m.

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Absent: Phil Sutton

I. **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Doug Carter

II. **CHAIR'S COMMENTS**

Chairman Doug Carter

Doug Carter, Chairman of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia, opened the Board meeting at 11:15 a.m. at the date and location stated above. He began by welcoming everyone to the hybrid meeting. He then thanked them for their participation in the committee meetings earlier in the day.

Collier Collier called roll and confirmed that there was a quorum for the Board meeting.

The first order of business was to swear in Mr. Mark Hennessy to the State Board. Governor Brian Kemp appointed Mr. Hennessy to the Board, but due to COVID-19 regulations, he was not able to swear him in at the Capitol. Commissioner Gregory Dozier administered the oath of office to Mr. Hennessy. Chairman Carter congratulated Mr. Hennessy and welcomed him to the Board.

Mr. Mark Hennessy made a few comments. He is looking forward to serving on the Board and excited to see what TCSG brings to the automotive industry.

Chairman Carter then made heart felt remarks about the loss of Dr. Mark Ivester, President of North Georgia Technical College. He passed away in late September from COVID-19. Chairman Carter said, "we don't understand why bad things happen to good people. The TCSG family grieves with the Ivester family and the NGTC family". He ended his remarks by saying our heart goes out to his family, his college, and the students. Mrs. Dinah Wayne added what a special person Dr. Ivester was and what an



honor it was to know and work with him. Chairman Carter thanked Dr. Michelle Shirley for stepping up to help lead NGTC through this transition time.

Chairman Carter then congratulated the 2020 GOAL winner, Rah'Mere Williams from Augusta Technical College and the 2020 Rick Perkins Award winner, Mike Day from Wiregrass Georgia Technical College.

I. Approval of the Minutes

MOTION: The motion was made by Dr. Artesius Miller to approve the September 3, 2020 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trey Sheppard. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

Chairman Carter then asked Commissioner Gregory Dozier to give his updates to the Board.

III. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Gregory Dozier

Commissioner Gregory Dozier began by thanking Chairman Carter for his kind remarks about Dr. Mark Ivester. TCSG and Commissioner Dozier are working to continue to honor his memory at North Georgia Technical College. Dr. Ivester had a strong team at North Georgia Technical College and they continue to work hard for our students during this difficult time. Dr. Michelle Shirley was appointed as the Interim President and has stepped up as a strong leader for NGTC.

The Commissioner then updated the Board on the eCampus project. He thanked the Governor for putting GEERS funding towards the project. Steven Ferguson and his team are working very hard to get the TCSG eCampus running as soon as possible. This will allow colleges to maximize their online classes and allow students to gain access to classes they might not have been able to take.

TCSG was notified that Senator P.K. Martin has a study committee on the k-12 tracks that are currently available to Georgians. Mr. Neil Bitting and Mr. Joe Dan Banker will be meeting with them today. TCSG is thankful to be at the table and included. Once additional information is available, the Commissioner will update the Board.

Commissioner Dozier will be serving on the Adult Education Study Committee on October 8th at the Georgia State Capitol, to discuss the work of Adult Education and to share some of TCSG's accomplishments and challenges. The Commissioner thanked Dr. Cayanna Good for the work she and the Adult Education team have done to serve our students.



The Commissioner shared his recent college visits with the Board. He toured Wiregrass Georgia Technical College with Dr. Tina Anderson and State Board member Mr. Ben Copeland. He was very impressed with the global educational opportunities that are available at Wiregrass Georgia Technical College. The air traffic control program at Wiregrass Georgia Technical College was very interesting and a program that he is looking forward to learning more about. The Commissioner was very impressed with the partnership between Wiregrass Georgia Technical College, Quick Start, and Arglass. Arglass is a glass bottle manufacturing company that has been steadily increasing production; growing jobs in Valdosta, Georgia. The quality of training he sees at each college is outstanding, but each college is also unique.

At Savannah Technical College, Commissioner Dozier was joined by Dr. Kathy Love, and State Board member Mrs. Mary Flanders. The culinary arts program at Savannah Technical College is outstanding. He was very impressed with the students and the future of the program. With the new downtown Savannah building, they will have the opportunity for culinary students to experience every part of the industry. Giving students the opportunity to learn about each stage in hospitality and restaurant services should excite us all. The aviation program and the partnership Savannah Tech has with Gulfstream is also very exciting.

Last week, the Commissioner attended a ribbon cutting at Chattahoochee Technical College (CTC) with President Ron Newcomb and State Board member Mr. Jay Cunningham. The ribbon cutting was for their new Health Science building. With the new VECTOR center, the Chattahoochee Technical College Veterans Center, and the new Health Science Center, we have a lot to be proud of at CTC.

While this has been a tough month for our TCSG family with the loss of Dr. Mark Ivester, it has also been a blessing to see how everyone has come together to support each other.

Commissioner Dozier encouraged everyone to read the daily news clips that are sent out. TCSG has some great stories coming out of our colleges. For example, Kia Motors Manufacturing recently donated 26 cars to our colleges for our auto mechanic programs. There are so many good things happening at our colleges and he wanted to make sure everyone took the time to read about them.

That concluded the Commissioner report.



Chairman Carter thanked Commissioner Dozier for his remarks. He asked if any State Board Members had questions for the Commissioner. Hearing none, the Chairman then called on the Committee Chairs to give their reports.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Academic Affairs

Lynn Cornett

- I. Academic Standards and Programs

Motion (Approval of Degrees, Diplomas, and TCCs)

MOTION: The motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett that the college requests listed below to offer degrees, diplomas and TCCs programs be approved effective the semester specified for each request. Any fiscal requirements to begin these programs must be approved through the standard budget approval process. The motion was seconded by Mr. Joe Yarbrough. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

DISCUSSION:

Albany Technical College - TCC program in Industrial Instrumentation Technician, IIT1, 22 Credit Hours, effective January 2021.

Albany Technical College is proposing to offer the Industrial Instrumentation Technician TCC as an embedded and stand-alone certification within our Mechatronics program. This certification is needed to meet the employment needs of our area. There are no other colleges in our service delivery area that are offering this certification. The program will follow the state standard that was institutionally developed by West Georgia. There will be no additional costs for the program as it will be part of Mechatronics currently taught at ATC. The projected enrollment is 15 the first year, 25 for year two and 35 for year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Albany Technical College - TCC program in Industrial Systems Mechanic, IS71, 22 Credit Hours, effective January 2021.

Albany Technical College is proposing to offer the Industrial Systems Mechanic TCC as a stand-alone certification within our Mechatronics program. This



certification is needed to meet the employment needs of our area. There are no other colleges in our service delivery area that are offering this certification. The program will follow the state standard. There will be no additional costs for the program as it will be part of Mechatronics currently taught at ATC. The projected enrollment is 15 the first year, 25 for year two and 35 for year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Albany Technical College - TCC program in Robotic Technician, RT31, 23 Credit Hours, effective January 2021.

Albany Technical College is proposing to offer the Robotic Technician TCC as an embedded and stand-alone certification within our Mechatronics program. This certification is needed to meet the employment needs of our area. There are no other colleges in our service delivery area that are offering this certification. The program will follow the state standard. There will be no additional costs for the program as it will be part of Mechatronics currently taught at ATC. The projected enrollment is 15 the first year, 25 for year two and 35 for year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Albany Technical College - Degree program in Technical Studies, TS23, 60 Credit Hours, effective January 2021.

The Associate of Applied Science in Technical Studies program allows students who receive a diploma or certificate to take additional general education course work in order to obtain a degree. This gives students' additional skills that can be used in possible business ownership and management. This program will follow the current TCSG standard. With the additional dual enrolled students, we expect to enroll 100 students in our first year and project to grow the program by 200 students by its third year.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 50 Year 2: 75 Year 3: 100

Evening Students Year 1: 50 Year 2: 75 Year 3: 100



Chattahoochee Technical College - TCC program in Catering Assistant, CA31, 16 Credit Hours, effective May 2021.

The Catering Assistant Certificate program is a sequence of courses that prepares students for the catering profession. Learning opportunities develop academic, occupational, and professional knowledge and skills required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement. The program emphasizes a combination of culinary theory, safety and sanitation, nutrition, and practical applications necessary for successful employment. Program graduates receive a Catering Assistant TCC. Graduates who are current practitioners will benefit through the enhancement of career potential. Entry-level persons will be prepared to pursue diverse opportunities in the culinary field as caterers' assistants or prep cooks. This program will utilize existing resources, including kitchen and equipment, facilities, and faculty; it will require no additional cost.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

Chattahoochee Technical College - TCC program in Catering and Event Planner, CAE1, 25 Credit Hours, effective May 2021.

The Catering and Event Planning certificate program is a sequence of courses that prepares students for the catering and event planning profession. Learning opportunities develop academic, occupational, and professional knowledge and skills required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement. The program emphasizes a combination of culinary theory, safety and sanitation, nutrition, and practical applications necessary for successful employment. Graduates who are current practitioners will benefit through the enhancement of career potential. Entry-level persons will be prepared to pursue diverse opportunities in the culinary field as caterers/culinary managers or event planners. This program will utilize existing resources, including kitchen and equipment, facilities, and faculty; it will require no additional cost.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

Chattahoochee Technical College - Diploma program in Catering and Event Planner, CAE2, 37 Credit Hours, effective May 2021.



The Catering and Event Planning diploma program is a sequence of courses that prepares students for the catering and event planning profession. Learning opportunities develop academic, occupational, and professional knowledge and skills required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement. The program emphasizes a combination of culinary theory, safety and sanitation, nutrition, and practical applications necessary for successful employment. Program graduates receive a Catering and Event Planning Diploma. Graduates who are current practitioners will benefit through the enhancement of career potential. Entry-level persons will be prepared to pursue diverse opportunities in the culinary field as caterers/culinary managers or event planners. This program will utilize existing resources, including kitchen and equipment, facilities, and faculty; it will require no additional cost.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 15 Year 2: 20 Year 3: 25

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

Coastal Pines Technical College - Degree program in Horticulture, EH13, 60 Credit Hours, effective January 2021.

Coastal Pines Technical College recently had five graduates who transferred to another technical college to further their education in the A.A.S. Horticulture program. The college would benefit from allowing our students the opportunity to complete the associate of applied science degree in their local area. Many students in the Horticulture program are working in the industry as they attend school so this would allow them to stay with their current employer and complete the associate degree. This program will follow the state standardized curriculum and follows the standard guidelines for programs at its award level. The costs for the first year of the program is \$72,455 which includes the instructor salary and fringe benefits, as well as the equipment, supplies, and travel. CPTC expects to begin the program with five students in the first year and expand to 10 by the third year.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 8 Year 3: 10

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

Coastal Pines Technical College - TCC program in Unmanned Aerial Systems Technology, UAS1, 18 Credit Hours, effective January 2021.



Coastal Pines Technical College has high school dual enrollment partners who have expressed an interest in this program to introduce their students to this fast growing technology. Currently, CPTC has one of the largest dual enrollment populations in the State of Georgia. No adjacent or area college offers this technical certificate of credit. The first year cost of the program will be \$11,800, which includes an adjunct instructor salary, startup equipment, travel and supply expenses that will be funded through student tuition. The college expects to begin this program through dual enrollment with eight students the first year and expanding to 20 students by the third year.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 16 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

Lanier Technical College - TCC program in AWS Cloud Solutions Specialist, AA91, 16 Credit Hours, effective May 2021.

Employment of computer and information technology occupations is projected to grow by 12% between 2018 and 2028, according to US Bureau of Labor Statistics, faster than the average for all occupations. In addition, the worldwide public cloud services market is projected to grow 17.5 percent in 2019 to total \$214.3 billion, up from \$182.4 billion in 2018, according to IT research firm Gartner, Inc. (2019). This growth is expected to continue, reaching 331.2 billion in revenue for 2022. Demand for skilled workers will stem from greater emphasis on cloud computing, the collection and storage of big data, and information security. This certificate will be fully embedded in the Cloud Computing Specialization of the Networking Specialist degree and diploma programs. Providing both the program specialization and certificate options will allow students that are seeking a degree or diploma or those seeking to add an AWS Cloud computing credential access to training. In the Technical College System Columbus is offering this program. Oglethorpe University is offering AWS Cloud Computing certificates and, New Horizons Computer Learning Centers in Atlanta offer several certifications in Cloud Technologies, including Amazon. Online schools offering cloud computing include Perdue University (BS), Western Governors University (BS). Lanier Technical College intends to follow the state standards for this program. Adding this program will cost approximately \$0.00 for another instructor as this is expected to be a part of the shared services pilot through TCSG. Projected enrollment is expected at 20 student for the first year, doubling to 40 students by the third year.

Enrollment Projections:



Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20
Evening Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Lanier Technical College - TCC program in Full Stack Developer, FS21, 27 Credit Hours, effective May 2021.

According to Bureau of Labor Statistics, the role of web developer is expected to grow 13% from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average occupation and one of the faster growing segments in the computer and information technology sector. The median annual salary for web developers is \$73,670.00. With the rapid change in technology and increased complexity of the Internet, Full Stack Developers are in high demand as they are equipped to cope with both the front-end and back-end design and architect of web site development. This skillset can provide better efficiencies and cost savings to business. Many of Georgia's colleges and universities are now offering certificate programs and continuing education programs, including Georgia Tech's Full Stack Boot Camp, Kennesaw State's online Full Stack Developer certificate, University of Georgia Continuing Education department; Full Stack Software Developer Certificate. Lanier Tech will follow the state standards for this program. Adding this program will cost approximately \$0.00 for another instructor as this is expected to be a part of the shared services pilot through TCSG. Projected enrollment for this program is estimated at 20 students the first year, increasing to 40 students by the third year.

Enrollment Projections:
Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20
Evening Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

II. Program Terminations October 2020

MOTION: The motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett to approve the program termination requests for October 2020. The motion was seconded by Mr. Randall Fox. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

Termination of Degrees and TCCs

Central Georgia Technical College

- TCC program in Barbering Instructor Training (BI11), effective October 2020.
- TCC program in Pharmacy Assistant (PB71), effective October 2020.



- TCC program in Physical Metrology Technician (PM31), effective October 2020.

Columbus Technical College

- Degree program in Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA3), effective October 2020.

Lanier Technical College

- TCC program in CDA Preparation TCC (CE71), effective October 2020.
- TCC program in Restaurant Manager (RM11), effective October 2020.
- TCC program in Ornamental Iron Fabricator (OI21), effective October 2020.
- TCC program in Hospitality Industry Human Resources Assistant (HIH1), effective October 2020.
- TCC program in Food and Beverage Director (FAB1), effective October 2020.

III. Approval for Program Standards and Revisions

MOTION: The motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett to approve program standards and revisions for October 2020. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ben Copeland. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

Major Code	Program Name	Program Development	Award Level	Credit Hours
CA31	Catering Assistant	Chattahoochee	TCC	16
CAE1	Catering and Event Planner	Chattahoochee	TCC	25
CAE2	Catering and Event Planner	Chattahoochee	Diploma	37

• Adult Education

Ben Copeland

Mr. Ben Copeland gave the committee report. Although we currently have close to 11 thousand student participating in adult education state wide, we are still seeing lower numbers from where we were last year at this time. The TCSG system office continues to discuss with local adult education programs, possible marketing solutions.

Commissioner Dozier will be serving on the Adult Education Study Committee that will meet October 8th at the Georgia State Capitol, to discuss the work of Adult Education and to share some of the TCSG accomplishments and challenges. The Adult Education team will be working with the eCampus team to incorporating Adult Education classes into the program.



On the Workforce Development report, Mr. Copeland stated that the COVID-19 Dislocated Worker Grant is up and running and supporting an array of projects. Projects such as employment and training opportunities. Dislocated workers are eligible to receive support in the form of Individual Training Accounts and ON the Job Training. Participants have chosen a range of program to include proprietary, long-term, and short-term training options. There are others that are sanitizing schools. Dislocated workers are participating in temporary disaster worksites in public school systems in many areas throughout the State. They are also sanitizing public facilities and COVID monitoring/mitigation areas. They are providing sanitation support to help prevent the further spread of COVID-19. These participants are also participating in efforts to support mitigation efforts such as mask wearing in public spaces, temperature checks, contact tracing and more. TCSG Office of Workforce Development received word that an additional \$13,297,837.00 has been awarded for this grant.

That concluded the committee report.

- **External Affairs and Economic Development**

Mr. Trey Sheppard gave the committee report. He gave a brief update on Quick Start. While there have been some negatives over the past few month, there have also been a lot of positives. There were nine announcements for 4,515 jobs. SK Battery America, a Korean maker of lithium ion batteries, continues to build out its facilities in Commerce, GA. Arglass Yamamura, a Japan based glass bottle manufacturer has been steadily increasing production and job creation. Quick Start's training with Arglass has been made possible thanks to a close partnership with Wiregrass Georgia Technical College.

On the marketing and communications efforts, Mr. Sheppard stated that the State GOAL and Rick Perkins Award winners were announced this week on Facebook Live. The GOAL winner Ra'mere Williams, a design and Media Production Technology student from Augusta Technical College. The Rick Perkins Award winner is Mike Day, a Welding and Joining Technology instructor from Wiregrass Georgia Technical College. Mark D'Alessio gave an overview of the marketing strategy that the communication team is working on with the Economic Development team. They are developing a digital marketing strategy that will begin November 1st.

Mr. Sheppard then gave the Legislative Affairs update to the Board. The Georgia House of Representatives has a new budget analyst that oversees Higher Education. Her name is Morgan Hall and we are looking forward to working with her this year. On October 14th TCSG will be meeting with members of the House Budget Office, Senate Budget Office, and the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget to discuss Workforce



Development and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. TCSG has submitted our agency legislation proposal to the Governor's Office. They will meet with them to discuss the proposal at the end of the month.

Mr. Sheppard gave an update on the TCSG Foundation. The TCSG Foundation provided another 176 laptops in August to the 22 colleges, specifically for the Special Populations Coordinators at each college. Since April, the Foundation has provided 360 laptops to the colleges through funds raised by the Emergency Response Fund. In September, the Foundation received a grant of \$125,000 from Truist to sponsor associated costs with Integrated Education & Training workforce credentials for these 5 colleges: Augusta Technical College, Central Georgia Technical College, Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Georgia Piedmont Technical College and Southern Regional Technical College. This Workforce Investment & Financial Wellness Program will partner with TCSG Adult Education team, TCSG Economic Development team, and Truist Community Development Team. The Foundation recently welcomed two new members to the Foundation's Board of Trustees: Mark Ginn of Grantsville, Chief Inspector and General Manager of Quality for Technical Operations at Wencor and Cosby Johnson of Atlanta, directs state level lobbying on behalf of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce and Government Affairs Council for the Chamber.

On the economic development efforts, Mr. Sheppard state that we are preparing to launch a statewide digital marketing campaign to raise visibility of Economic Development program offerings and services. The campaign will focus on promoting: short term training; customized training; mobile welding labs/portable industrial maintenance labs; and professional development courses.

That concluded the committee report.

- **Facilities and Real Estate**

Chunk Newman

- I. **Approval of Real Estate Transactions**

MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Chunk Newman to authorize the staff to prepare appropriate requests to the State Properties Commission seeking its approval of, and assistance with the execution of the following real estate transactions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trey Sheppard. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

- A. **Athens Tech** - Demolition of 49,390 SF Building S - Compass

DISCUSSION: Athens Technical College requests approval to demolish the



building known as the Building S – Compass 900 (BLLIP Building ID #71440), located on the Main Campus.

B. Chattahoochee Tech – Easement 0.48 AC to Georgia Power Company

DISCUSSION: Chattahoochee Technical College requests approval on the granting of a revocable license and a non-exclusive easement to the Georgia Power Company, over approximately 0.48 acres on the North Metro Campus of Chattahoochee Technical College, for the installation and maintenance of electrical distribution lines to serve the TCSG-350 Center for Advanced Manufacturing and Emerging Technologies.

C. Savannah Tech – 1 AC Ground Lease to Effingham County BoE

DISCUSSION: Savannah Technical College requests approval on adding 1 acre to the existing ground lease located at 2890 Hwy. 21 S. Rincon (Effingham County), Georgia to Effingham County Board of Education for use as overflow parking.

D. Wiregrass Georgia Tech – LOI 2,870 SF from the City of Pearson

DISCUSSION: Wiregrass Georgia Technical College requests approval on the execution of Letter of Intent #8621 with the City of Pearson, covering 2,870 square feet of classroom and office spaces located at 59 N Pearson Street, Pearson, GA, at the rental rate of \$6,000.00 per annum, with an option to renew for 3 consecutive one year periods with no rent escalation.

E. Southeastern Tech – Rental of 1,848 SF from the Candler County

DISCUSSION: : Southeastern Technical College requests approval on the execution of Rental Agreement #8874 with the Candler County, covering 1,848 square feet of classroom and office spaces located at 25 West Daniel Street, Metter, GA, at the rental rate of \$10.00 per annum, with an option to renew for 5 consecutive one year periods with no rent escalation.

II. Approval of Construction Contracts

MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Chunk Newman to authorize the Commissioner to execute the construction contracts listed below at a cost not to



exceed the amount stated for each request. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Dinah Wayne. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

- A. Savannah Tech** - \$167,195.00 with Mock Plumbing & Mechanical, Inc.

DISCUSSION: Savannah Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "Chillers" on the Savannah Campus of Savannah Technical College, with Mock Plumbing & Mechanical, Inc., Savannah, GA in the amount of \$167,195.00, using local funds.

III. Approval of Construction Contract Change Orders

MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Chunk Newman to approve the change orders listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated for each request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carvel Lewis. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

- A. Atlanta Tech** - \$95,473.05 with Astra Construction Services, LLC

DISCUSSION: Atlanta Technical College requests approval of change order in the total amount of \$95,473.05 to the project "Academic Classroom – Office Renovation", under a construction contract with Astra Construction Services, LLC, Woodstock, GA. The TCSG Board, at its meeting on August 6, 2020, ratified the construction contract for \$274,238.72, using local funds. The total accumulated change order amount will exceed 20% of the original contract and Board approval is required. The change order was necessary due to the inclusion of additional work to the project.

That concluded the committee report.

• Governance, Compliance and Audit

Joe Yarbrough

Mr. Joe Yarbrough gave the committee report to the Board. He started by thanking Ms. Jen Ziifle for her hard working in getting the Mutual Aid Agreements with our Colleges and Local Law Enforcement. He added that we forget the complicity of the MAAs and appreciate Ms. Ziifle and all our campus safety officers for their hard work. Mrs. Penni Haberly gave a great presentation to the committee on the switch to a more digital system. Her team is working very closely with the colleges to make sure they get the support they need during this digital transition.

I. Mutual Aid Agreements



MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Joe Yarbrough to approve the proposed Mutual Aid Agreement as follows:

- Atlanta Technical College Extension Campus Police and Clayton County Police Department
- Chattahoochee Technical College Police Department and Paulding County Sheriff's Office
- Chattahoochee Technical College and City of Woodstock Police Department
- Chattahoochee Technical College and City of Canton Police Department
- Chattahoochee Technical College and City of Marietta Police Department
- Chattahoochee Technical College and City of Dallas Police Department
- Chattahoochee Technical College and City of Cobb County Police Department

The motion was seconded by Mr. Buzz Law. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

DISCUSSION: As previously discussed, legislation allows us to enter into Mutual Aid Agreements with other law enforcement agencies, and that legislation mandates these agreements go before the State Board for approval. These agreements have been reviewed by TCSG and follows the approved format; we now seek your review and approval.

II. Proposed Local Board Appointments

MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Joe Yarbrough approve the local board member appointments as listed in the Board materials. The motion was seconded by Mr. Baoky Vu. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

That concluded the committee report.

• Operations, Finance, and Planning

Tim Williams

I. Expenditure Requests

MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Tim Williams for the State Board to authorize the Commissioner to purchase the designated items or execute the requested contracts for the technical colleges listed below at a cost not to exceed the amounts stated. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chunk Newman. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.



1. **Atlanta Technical College** – COVID-19 re-entry PPE supplies from Total Power LLC for students, faculty, and staff for both campus locations; cost \$128,031.00. **Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.**

DISCUSSION: ATC is in need of emergency Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) items for students, faculty and staff attending the Spring 2021 semester on-site at both campus locations. Items include gloves, masks/face shields, gowns, hand sanitizer, disinfectant sprays/wipes, etc. The purchase of these items will help with the safety of all students/faculty/staff.

2. **Augusta Technical College** – Two advanced Pediatric HAL Simulators with accessories from Gaumard for the nursing and medical assisting programs; cost \$157,638.00. **Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.**

DISCUSSION: This equipment is needed for enhanced student learning in the nursing and medical assisting programs. Due to limited Pediatric experience being offered thru clinicals, this manikin will allow instructors to simulate lifelike scenarios that will meet the program and course objectives. Students will be allowed to interact with the manikin while receiving real-time feedback and responses. The manikin's unique features make this simulator a great addition to tech nursing students how to care for pediatric patients and to satisfy the simulation standards of best practices in nursing and medical assisting emergency care education.

3. **Ogeechee Technical College** – Two 2021 Peterbilt Sleepercab trucks from the Pete Store-Savannah for Commercial Truck Driving Program; cost \$247,000.00. **MRR bond and Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.**

DISCUSSION: Two new 2021 sleeper trucks are needed for the College's commercial truck driving program. Purchasing a new truck will provide the students training that will assist them in finding employment with companies that use more modern and up-to-date equipment. With the technology that is incorporated in the newer trucks, it is imperative that the students be trained on equipment that meets industry standards. These standards are constantly changing and demands that the student/driver be keenly aware of the changes in the daily operation of their equipment. Also, lower maintenance costs apply to new trucks versus the high costs associated with an older fleet. The new trucks will provide a more desirable exposure of the CDL program to the public that will help increase enrollment in the program and the college as a whole.

4. **Savannah Technical College** – Request to utilize services from Focus of Georgia Inc. for FY2021 for temporary staffing services to supplement custodial and



maintenance staff for all campus locations; cost \$262,777.00. **State funds are available for this expenditure.**

DISCUSSION: The College is seeking to utilize temporary staffing services thru a statewide contract with Focus of Georgia to provide additional resources and support for existing custodial and maintenance staff at all four campus locations for FY2021. Utilizing temporary staffing services to supplement custodial & maintenance staff saves the college a considerable amount of money when compared to filling these positions with full-time benefited employees.

That concluded the committee report.

• **Executive Committee**

Chairman Doug Carter

Chairman Doug Carter said that the updates the Commissioner gave earlier in the meeting were the same updates the executive committee heard. He then asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. See attachment A.

I. **Enter Executive Session**

MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Trey Sheppard for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. The motion was seconded by Mr. Joe Yarbrough. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously. Motion was made at 12:13 pm

II. **Exit Executive Session**

MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Trey Sheppard for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chunk Newman. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously. Motion was made at 12:27 pm

V. **Executive Session**

Chairman Doug Carter

I. **Augusta Technical College President**

MOTION: The motion was made by Mr. Trey Sheppard for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to approve the Commissioner's recommendation to appoint Dr. Jermaine Whirl as the new president of Augusta Technical College effective November 2, 2020. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ben Copeland. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.



VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Doug Carter

Chairman Carter congratulated President Jermaine Whirl. He added that the Board and everyone at TCSG is looking forward to working with him as he serves as the President to Augusta Technical College. Chairman Carter also thanked Dr. Hill for serving as the interim President at Augusta Technical College. He then asked Commissioner Dozier to introduce President Whirl.

Commissioner Dozier added his congratulations to President Whirl. He said that Dr. Whirl is going to do a great job at Augusta Technical College. He has family roots in technical education and in the Augusta area. Dr. Whirl has a wealth of knowledge in many aspects of technical education and TCSG. He asked Dr. Whirl to say a few words.

Dr. Jermaine Whirl thanked the Commissioner and the Board for the opportunity to serve as the President at Augusta Technical College. He thanked Dr. Hill for her leadership and added his excitement for taking on the role.

Chairman Carter then thanked the search committee for their time and dedication to their community. He thanked the IT team for all their help in hosting another successful hybrid board meeting.

In closing the meeting, Chairman Carter reminded the Members that the next TCSG State Board meeting will be November 5, 2020 at the TCSG System Office.

Mr. Joe Yarbrough closed the meeting with a word of prayer.

VII. ADJOURN

Chairman Doug Carter

I. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion was made by Mr. Trey Sheppard to adjourn the October 1, 2020 State Board Meeting of the Technical College System of Georgia at 12:35pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ben Copeland. The motion passed State Board approval unanimously.



Technical College System of Georgia

Attachment A

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF DEKALB AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception that permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now Doug Carter, the presiding officer identified below, and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

I am the presiding officer of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia.

I am over the age of 18 and in all aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.

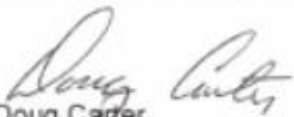
On October 1, 2020, this Board which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons set forth below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.

The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was Section 50-14-3(6)(12) of the Official Code of Georgia.

During the closed portion of the meeting, members of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia discussed or deliberated only upon a personnel matter.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1 day of Oct 2020.


Doug Carter
Chair & Presiding Officer



